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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): Sarah E. ZELLER et al.

Confirmation No.: 7218

Application No.: 10/629,398

Examiner: Nguyen, Anthony N

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Group Art Unit: 2854

Title: STAPLER/STACKER FOR FRONT-ORIENTED FRONT-ACCESS PRINTERS

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

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- (X) Response/Amendment () Petition to extend time to respond
() New fee as calculated below () Supplemental Declaration
(X) No additional fee
() Other: (fee \$)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	17	MINUS	20	= 0	X \$50	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	4	MINUS	4	= 0	X \$200	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$360	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$120.00	2ND MONTH \$450.00	3RD MONTH \$1020.00	4TH MONTH \$1590.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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This Reply is in response to the Office Action mailed on October 5, 2005. Applicants respectfully request the present application be allowed based upon the remarks following the listing of the claims.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: